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14	v.				
15	MIKE KREIDLER, Insurance				
16	Commissioner for the State of Washington,				
17	Respondent.				
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	The undersigned parties and their counsel of record stipulate and agree as follows:				
19	STIPULATION				
20	1. On August 22, 2003, following oral argument by the parties, the Court				
21	rendered an oral decision.				
22	2. On September 5, 2003, the Court	entered its order, a copy of which is			
23	attached (the "Order").				
24	3. The Order required the Commission	oner to "issue a decision [on Premera's			
25	Form A Statement] pursuant to RCW 48.31C.030 and RCW 48.31B.015 within 60 days of				
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PRESTON GATES & ELLIS LLP 925 FOURTH AVENUE SUITE 2900 SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98104-1158 TELEPHONE (206) 623-7580 September 5, 2003, unless Premera agrees to a later date for the issuance of the Commissioner's decision"

- 4. The parties hereby agree that the date by which the Commissioner will issue his decision on Premera's Form A Statement is December 15, 2003.
- 5. The parties further agree that Judge George Finkle, the Special Master appointed by the Commissioner, should recommend, and the Commissioner will adopt, a schedule for the adjudicative proceeding based on the decision date of December 15, with prehearing deadlines that fairly allocate preparation and response times among the OIC Staff, Premera, and the intervenors.
- 6. Because they have been able to negotiate a mutually satisfactory resolution of their conflict, the parties hereby waive any right to appeal the Order.

DATED this 12^{12} day of September, 2003.

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The provisions of the parties' stipulation are approved and adopted.
- 2. The deadline for the Commissioner to issue a decision on Premera's Form A Statement is extended to December 15, 2003.
- 3. The Commissioner shall, upon the recommendation of the Special Master, adopt a schedule for the adjudicative proceeding based on the decision date of December 15, 200% and set prohearing deadlines that fairly allocate preparation and response times among the OIC Staff, Premera, and the intervenors.

ENTERED this 12 day of September, 2003.

The Honorable Paula Casey

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